

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification at page 1, before line 8, by inserting the following new section and headings:

--RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/804,775 filed March 13, 2001.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION--.

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 15-24, as follows:

Human Growth Hormone, hGH, is a protein consisting of a single chain of 191 amino acids. The molecule is cross-linked by two disulfide bridges and the monomeric form has a molecular weight 22 kDa. hGH preparations have been prepared from human pituitaries, but nowadays the products on the market are produced by recombinant methods, rhGH. Two types of therapeutically useful recombinant hGH preparations are present on the market: the ~~authentic one~~ recombinant hGH, e.g. Genotropin®, Pharmacia AB, and an analogue of the recombinant hGH with an additional methionine residue at the N-terminal end, e.g. Somatonorm®. hGH is used to stimulate linear growth in patients with hypopituitary dwarfism or Turner's syndrome but other indications have also been suggested.